

WILLIAM BISHOP AND OTHERS.

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Mr. SAPP, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made the following

R E P O R T.

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the memorial of William Bishop and others, operatives in the Ordnance Department, respectfully report:

The memorialists pray that the present laws giving bounty land to soldiers who served in the war be extended to them, for the reason that during the Mexican war they were assiduous in the discharge of their duties making the munitions of war. The committee think that it would be unjust to place these operatives, who were exposed to none of the hazards of war, who received ample pay for their services, and were not at all called from their homes and families, upon the same footing with the soldier who left his fireside and his relatives and went into the dangers and exposures of conflict. They accordingly ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the memorial.

